



October 4, 2023

***Invitation to Praise**

The Praise Team

Lord, You are Welcome

Lord, You are welcome in this place
Lord, You are welcome in this place
Lord, You are welcome in this place
Have Your way

Lord, You are worshiped in this place
Lord, You are worshiped in this place
Lord, You are worshiped in this place
Have Your way

Lord, You are loved in this place
Lord, You are loved in this place
Lord, You are loved in this place
Have Your way

In the Name of Jesus

In the name of Jesus
In the name of Jesus
We have the victory
In the name of Jesus
In the name of Jesus
Satan has to flee

Tell me who can stand before us when we call on that great name?

Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus
We have the victory

Victory, victory
We have the victory
Victory, victory
We have the victory

Daily I Will Worship Thee

Daily I will worship Thee
Lamb of God who died for me
Who extended endless mercy
Daily I will worship Thee

***Call to Worship¹**

Rev. Charlene Wingate

Please stand (in body or spirit, as you are able) and join in our Call to Worship.

One: Great Spirit of Creation, lift up our spirits to You.

All: Let us remember always that You give us the gift of a new day.

One: Make us courageous when the cold winds blow and the storm comes in.

All: Give us wisdom at every crossroad to make wise choices from within.

One: All powerful God, give us strength, endurance, and patience.

All: Let Your Spirit move through us as Your agents of change. Let us worship!

***Opening Prayer**

***Welcome One Another**

Life of the Community

Rev. Charlene Wingate

Call for the Offering

Rev. Charlene Wingate

Offertory Hymn

The Lord is Blessing Me Right Now

The Lord is blessing me right now, Oh right now
The Lord is blessing me right now, Oh right now
God woke me up this morning and started me on my way
The Lord is blessing me right now, Oh right now

Epistle Lesson

Lorraine Burchall

Philippians 2:1-13

¹If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ

¹Liturgical Resources adapted from: <https://www.dominicancenter.org/indigenus-peoples-day-liturgy/>, accessed 10/3/23

Jesus, ⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, ¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

One: The Word of God for the People of God.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermonic Selection *Pastor Terrance L. Kennedy*

Sermon Rev. Dr. Lisa M. Weaver
You've Got the Power, But Will You Make the Choice

Moment of Silent Reflection

Holy Communion Rev. Charlene Wingate

Great Prayer Of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Prayer Rev. Charlene Wingate

***Benediction** Rev. Dr. Lisa M. Weaver

***Closing Song**
I Feel Like Goin' On

Today's Musical Leader: *Pastor Terrance L. Kennedy*

***Please stand as you are able**

